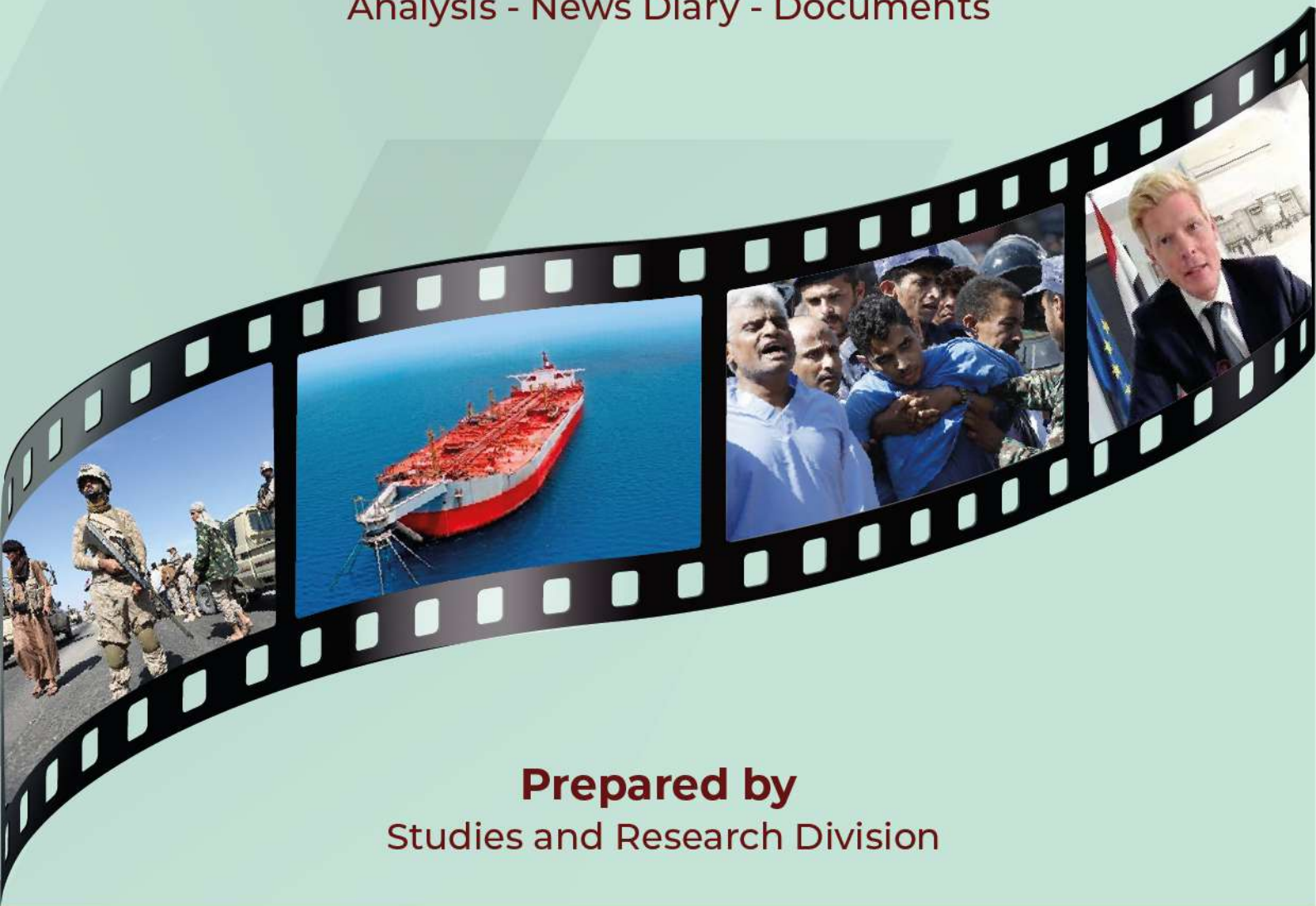


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Part I
Key Developments in September



The Political Developments

UN peace efforts

After officially assuming his duties, the new United Nations envoy to Yemen, Hans Grundberg, pledged to do everything in his power to contribute to achieving a just and lasting peace for Yemenis. He said that he would remind the conflicting parties of their responsibilities towards the country's future torn by war for seven years.

This month, Grundberg made his first visit to the region as a UN envoy to Yemen, where he visited Saudi Arabia and Oman. On his visit to Saudi Arabia, the UN envoy met with senior Yemeni and Saudi officials and diplomats. He met with Yemeni President Abd Rabbo Mansour Hadi, Prime Minister Maeen Abdul-Malik, Foreign Minister Ahmed bin Mubarak, Parliament Speaker Sultan al-Barakani and representatives of Yemeni political parties. He met with senior Saudi officials, ambassadors of the Security Council's permanent members to Yemen, and the US special envoy to Yemen, Tim Lenderking. Oman was his second stop, where he met the Omani Minister of Foreign Affairs, Badr Al Busaidi, and a number of senior officials in the Sultanate. He also met with Muhammad Abd al-Salam, the official spokesman for the Houthis.

In his briefing to the Security Council, Grundberg had confirmed that the warring parties had not discussed any comprehensive peace deal since 2016, which caused great human losses and continued the suffering of Yemenis stuck in a war for six years. The approach of the new UN envoy is to adopt two strategies: The first is to hold political talks on the political process before imposing a comprehensive ceasefire. The second is to expand the circle of political solution consultations with new political and social components and not limit them between the government and the Houthis, as stipulated in the UNSC resolution 2216.

The government was also apparent in opposing such a deal from the UN envoy. It affirmed its adherence to providing a comprehensive ceasefire over any political talks to avoid reaching the dead ends that were reached in all the previous attempts by the former envoy, which were based on presenting the political side over the



military and security side. In addition, the former envoy was always characterizing the parties as two parties: the legitimate government and all the political and social forces and components affiliated with it, and the Houthis that turned against the legitimate government.

Despite the escalation of international pressures to stop the war, the political positions of the legitimate government are still clinging to the three references and the outcomes of previous talks that were held. These positions were expressed by the presidency, parliament, and the Shura Council in their meetings with the UN envoy and international officials. In his meeting with the Americans in early September, the Minister of Defence also affirmed the significance of the three references in any proposed peace plan. The Minister of Foreign in his European tour also conveyed the government's view on the political settlement. In his speech before the United Nations General Assembly at the end of September, the Minister of Foreign emphasized the contents of political solutions according to the government's view which adheres to the three references (and the three references rejected by the Houthis are: the Gulf Initiative (2011), the results of the National Dialogue Conference (2013-2014).), and UN Security Council resolutions, especially Resolution No. 2216 (obligating the Houthis to leave the areas under their control and hand over their weapons).

Tension rises at Balhaf facility with Emirati forces

In the wake of the demands of the Shabwa governor and the Yemeni government, a Yemeni official revealed that an agreement had been reached between the government authorities in Shabwa governorate, and the Saudi mediation to establish a chronic mechanism for Emirati forces to depart the Balhaf oil port, which it has controlled for years. The tensions escalated when tribal groups stopped the Emirati forces from moving around in the province, and the Emirati warplanes flew at a low altitude in the sky of Ataq, the capital of Shabwa. The protesters continued to prevent a military convoy of the Emirati forces from heading to the Al-Alam camp until Saudi mediation managed to persuade tribal militants to release the Emirati forces.



Popular protests in the southern provinces

The governorates of Taiz, Hadramawt Aden and Socotra, witnessed angry protests denouncing the deterioration of services and the high prices. In response to the protests in the city, the UAE-backed STC declared a state of emergency and general mobilization in Aden, which is under the control of STC forces in southern Yemen. The popular protests resulted from the broad anger due to the deteriorating living conditions and the absence of the state's role in providing services and alleviating human suffering.

The protests in Aden were among the largest that the temporary capital witnessed in terms of a popular movement against the STC since the government left Aden. The STC faced those protests with repression, arrests, and the declaration of a state of emergency in practicing the so-called self-management and confiscation of popular desire. The protest expanded to more provinces such as Hadramawt and Socotra, where the demonstrators demanded the return of government and handing over the camps controlled by the STC forces. The demonstrators raised Yemeni flags and banners calling for the return of Ramzi Mahrous, the governor of the province. The demonstrators also commemorated the anniversary of the September 26th revolution, stressing that the people of Socotra will always stand with the government.

Although the Quartet (the US, Britain, Saudi Arabia and the UAE) issued a joint statement on September 16th on the economic situation, in which the government called for taking the necessary steps to stabilize the economy. Even though, the Quartet affirmed its commitment to support the government, nothing was materialized. Hence, the popular protests continued and expanded to other provinces such as Taiz, which witnessed large demonstrations.



The Military Developments

The Houthis made significant field progress during this month. They completed their control over all the districts of Al-Bayda (central Yemen) when they entered the center of the Al-Soma district, the last stronghold of the government in Al-Bayda governorate. In a statement, Yahya Saree, the Houthi military spokesman, said that Operation of Fajr Al- Hurriyyah 'Dawn of Freedom' managed to control the rest of Al-Bayda Governorate after carrying out 10 offensive operations with ballistic missiles booby-trapped aircraft on the National Army forces. The military spokesman said that the area that the Houthis seized operation is about 2,700 square kilometres in the districts of Al-Soma, Maswara and parts of Mukairas.

Later, the Houthi expansion continued towards the governorates of Shabwa and Marib. In Shabwa, the Houthis managed to take over the districts of Bayhan, Ain and Usaylan. In Marib, they were able to advance in the districts of Mahlia, Rahba and Harib, amid reports of the displacement of hundreds of citizens and damage to their homes due to the Houthis' continuous bombing of the city crowded with displaced people.

The Houthi's control of these areas came after a series of field developments in the governorates of Al-Bayda and Shabwa, within an undeclared coordination between the Houthi and STC forces. For instance, while the STC forces were calling for activities against the local authority in Shabwa to occupy the army and security forces, the Houthi forces were mobilizing their fighters on the other side of the Shabwa governorate, adjacent to the Al-Bayda governorate, which they managed to control through operations that extended for about a year.



The Humanitarian Developments

In its fourth report to the Human Rights Council, the Group of Eminent International and Regional Experts on Yemen presents its findings on severe violations of international human rights law and international humanitarian law committed by the parties to the conflict in Yemen. The report titled "A nation abandoned: A call to humanity to end Yemen's suffering" was released on September 8th 2021, covering the period from July 2020 to June 2021.

As the conflict in Yemen enters its seventh year, the report includes findings of the Group of Experts' investigations carried out last year and a select retrospective analysis from previous mandate periods. The violations outlined include airstrikes and shelling, failing to abide by international humanitarian law principles, humanitarian restrictions as well as obstacles to access to food and healthcare, arbitrary detention, enforced disappearances, gender-based violence, including sexual violence, torture and other forms of cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment, denial of fair trial rights, violations of fundamental freedoms, persecution and violations against journalists, human rights defenders, minorities, migrants, internally displaced persons and violation of children's rights. Responsibility for the violations rests with all parties to the conflict, with violations committed by the Government of Yemen, the southern transitional council, members of the coalition and the de facto authorities.

The report said that the protracted conflict, disease outbreaks, COVID-19 pandemic, floods, import restrictions, economic crisis, fuel, and limited humanitarian aid had made daily life in Yemen unbearable for many. The report added that the damage



caused to children is "irreparable," noting that the economic hardships caused by the conflict have exacerbated some of the old traditional harmful practices against children in Yemen, such as forced and early marriage, in addition to the continued recruitment and use of children in hostilities by all parties to the conflict.

The report refers to the bombing of the IDPs camps in Marib, the targeting of Aden airport during the return of the government, and the cases of indiscriminate targeting and laying mines that affected civilians in Hodeidah, Al Dhale'e and other areas, mainly attributed to the Houthis. He also touched on a number of air strikes carried out by the Arab coalition, which resulted in civilian casualties, in addition to violations related to kidnapping, arbitrary detention, enforced disappearance, torture in prisons, and sexual and gender violence.

The report pointed to the exacerbation of the "environment of fear, lawlessness and impunity that haunts all residents of Yemen, expressing the experts' concern that many victims are reluctant to cooperate with the team and even give consent to use the information. The report said that" violations of international law committed by the parties to the conflict played a role A major factor in creating and exacerbating the humanitarian crisis, pushing the population towards starvation and poverty.

United Nations: Two million children of school age in Yemen are out of school

More than 2 million school-age children are still out of school in Yemen, the United Nations said on Tuesday, and two million pre-school children are at risk of severe acute malnutrition. This came in two separate tweets, published by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs "OCHA" and the United Nations Children's Fund "UNICEF" on their Twitter accounts.

OCHA stated that "more than 8 million children need assistance in the field of education," adding 2,500 "schools were destroyed, damaged or used for non-



educational purposes." In turn, UNICEF published a picture of the 6-month-old baby, Laith, and said that he "suffers from a chest infection and complications from malnutrition." She added: More than 2 million children in Yemen are at risk of acute malnutrition.

UN: We received 54 percent of humanitarian funding in Yemen

The United Nations announced that it had received 54% of humanitarian funding in Yemen for the year 2021. OCHA stated that "With the generous support of donors, the UN and our partners have been able to prevent famine and scale up assistance across the country. Today, the Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan is 54 per cent funded, having received \$2.1 billion of its \$3.85 billion requirement. However, several sectors still face grave funding gaps, including health, shelter, and water, sanitation and hygiene. Without additional funding, critical life-saving programmes – including food assistance – will be reduced or closed down as soon as next month.

Next Wednesday, 22 September, a high-level event on the humanitarian crisis in Yemen will be convened on the margins of the General Assembly. Hosted by Sweden, Switzerland and the European Union, the event will be an important opportunity for the international community to show their solidarity with the people of Yemen, including through the announcement of new contributions to the humanitarian appeal since the high-level pledging conference on 1 March of this year".



The Economic Developments

United Nations: The Yemeni economy is collapsing

"The country's economy has reached new depths of collapse, and a third wave of the pandemic is threatening to crash the country's already fragile health-care system", Humanitarian Affairs chief Martin Griffiths told world leaders at the meeting: Yemen: Responding to the crises within the world's largest humanitarian crisis.

The United Nations warned that "the Yemeni economy is on the verge of complete collapse, with more than half of the population suffering from acute food insecurity and five million people approaching famine." "The Yemeni economy is on the verge of complete collapse, with the Yemeni riyal now trading at more than 1,100 to the dollar in government-controlled areas," the Secretary-General's spokesman, Stephane Dujarric, said at a press conference this month. "This is contributing to rising food prices in a country where more than half of the population is acutely food insecure, and five million people are close to starvation," he added. Dujarric revealed preparations for holding a high-level conference hosted by Sweden, Switzerland and the European Union to discuss the humanitarian crisis in Yemen on the sidelines of the General Assembly meetings. In this event, it is expected that new financial contributions will be announced.

The United Nations also warned of the complete collapse of the Yemeni economy and institutional systems, including basic service facilities and social protection systems.



Part II
News Diary



Wednesday, 9/1/2021
8 deaths and 35 new cases of COVID-19 in Yemen
On Wednesday, the World Health Organization (WHO) cargo plane arrived at Sana'a International Airport, carrying approximately 31 tons of medical supplies.
Turkey and the UN held talks on cooperation to provide humanitarian aid to the Syrians, Yemenis and Afghans. Turkish Deputy Foreign Minister Sedat Onal discussed with the UN Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, Martin Griffiths, cooperation between Turkey and the United Nations. "Turkey's efforts to alleviate humanitarian needs of Syrians were discussed, and Turkey and UN's joint work in this regard was reviewed. The importance of improving the humanitarian situation in Yemen and Afghanistan was also stressed," it added.
Norway affirms its support for the unity and sovereignty of Yemen The Norwegian Foreign Ministry reiterated its support for the unity and sovereignty of Yemen and its full support for the stalled peace process in the country for nearly seven years.
The European Union calls on the conflicting parties in Yemen to engage in political dialogue The European Union called on the parties to the conflict in Yemen to engage constructively in the political dialogue sponsored by the United Nations.
The Irish ambassador and head of the Security Council for September, Geraldine Byrne Nason said in an interview with Al- Arabi Al- Jadeed Martin Griffiths made valiant efforts to secure a ceasefire, but the obstacles were too great. I'm constantly reminded that it's the world's worst humanitarian crisis. We know people there are not just hungry; they are being starved in Yemen. We are watching the worrying situation in Marib again, with the Houthi advance and standoff there.
The Yemeni government calls on the Gulf Cooperation Council countries to hold an emergency conference to support its economic program



On Wednesday, the Yemeni government called on the Gulf Cooperation Council to hold an emergency conference to support its economic program and make more efforts to complete the implementation of the Riyadh Agreement.

Yemen signs the Knowledge Transfer Initiative Agreement in the Field of Scientific Research

Dr. Khaled Al-Wasabi, the Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, signed in the Egyptian capital, Cairo, with the Secretary-General of the Union of Arab Scientific Research Councils, Dr. Mubarak Majzoub, an agreement for the executive program of the initiative to transfer knowledge in the field of scientific research.

Arab coalition destroys booby-trapped Houthi drone launched Saudi Arabia.

Thursday, 9/2/2021

The United Nations begins training a demining team in Hodeidah

In a brief statement, the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) said that it is training a local team in Hodeidah to remove mine-contaminated areas, including the Salif port.

Government: We are carefully examining options for using the withdrawal of the "international monetary" amount to ensure that it is not depleted

The Yemeni government pledged to study all options for using the equivalent of about \$665 million in Special Drawing Rights provided by the International Monetary Fund, after the Fund's Board of Governors voted at the beginning of last August on the distribution of drawing rights allocations among member states.

Six deaths and 51 new cases of Coronavirus in Yemen

The government calls for the speedy treatment of the "Safer" tank to avoid an environmental and humanitarian disaster

Tawfiq Al-Sharjabi, the Minister of Water and Environment, called for the speedy treatment of the Safer tanker's potential disaster to avoid an environmental, humanitarian and economic disaster off the strategic coast of Hodeidah on the Red Sea.

Arab coalition destroys booby-trapped Houthi drone launched toward Khamis Mushayt

Yemen official: UAE forces will leave Balhaf oil port soon

On Tuesday, a Yemeni official revealed that an agreement had been reached between the government authorities in Shabwa governorate, southeast, and the



Saudi mediation to establish a chronic mechanism for the departure of Emirati forces from the Balhaf oil port, which it has controlled for years.

Saudi hands Yemen military camps to local tribes, protesters say

The Yemeni leader in the peaceful movement opposed to Saudi Arabia in Al-Mahra, eastern Yemen, revealed that the Saudi forces handed over the camps from which they withdrew to tribes loyal to them, warning against intentions that Riyadh is hiding behind this.

Friday, 9/3/2021

The Ministry of Health recorded 67 new infections with the Coronavirus in Yemen.

The Houthis control the center of the Rahba district in Marib oil

On Thursday, the Houthis took control of the center of the Rahba District, in the Marib Governorate, northeast of Yemen, after violent battles with the Yemeni army forces affiliated with the recognized government, which left dozens dead and wounded.

Government: Yemen's losses as a result of the war exceed \$100 billion

The Yemeni government said that the losses of the war, which have been going on in the country for seven years, exceeded \$100 billion, stressing the importance of launching a program for the reconstruction of the poor Arab country, which is witnessing the worst humanitarian crisis in the world.

The third one in 24 hours, the coalition destroys a drone launched by the Houthis towards Saudi Arabia

The Emergency Committee recorded the highest daily rate of infection with the Coronavirus since the start of the third wave in Yemen

Saudi Arabia Complains the Houthis to the Security Council: Their Continuous Attacks Undermine Peace Efforts in Yemen

Today, Friday, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia informed the UN Security Council that it has taken all necessary measures to preserve its lands and the safety of its citizens and residents.

Washington affirms its commitment to stand by Saudi Arabia in defending its territories

Saturday, 9/4/2021

Saudi media: The Arab coalition intercepts and destroys three booby-trapped drones launched towards Saudi Arabia



<p>The commander of al- Hazmieh Front, in al- Bayda province, was killed when his car was targeted by an explosive device in Aden</p>
<p>Foreign exchange rates against the Yemeni riyal today, Saturday 1 US dollar = buy 1041, Sale 1050</p>
<p>Six deaths and 38 new cases of corona in Yemen</p>
<p>Sunday, 9/5/2021</p>
<p>On Sunday, the Houthi rebels announced that they had targeted "vital facilities" in Saudi Arabia with ballistic missiles and drones, including facilities belonging to the giant Saudi Aramco oil company in the south and east of the kingdom.</p> <p>"The Saudi air defences intercepted and destroyed three ballistic missiles and three booby-trapped drones launched by the Iran-backed Houthi militia towards the eastern region, Jizan and Najran," the Saudi Press Agency (SPA) quoted a Ministry of Defense statement as saying.</p>
<p>Houthi military spokesman: We targeted Aramco facilities in Ras Al-Tanura in Dammam with eight marches and a ballistic missile.</p>
<p>New UN Yemen envoy: 'I will do everything in my power to end the war'. New UN Yemen envoy Hans Grundberg on Sunday pledged to exert his "utmost efforts" to convince warring factions to sign a lasting and comprehensive peace settlement aimed at ending the country's civil war.</p> <p>In his first speech to Yemenis after assuming his position on Sunday, Grundberg said that he was aware of the complications and challenges facing his mission, but assured his audience that he would do his best to work on ending the war.</p> <p>"I can assure you that I will do everything in my power to contribute to achieving lasting and just peace in Yemen. My office and I will always be available to listen to your priorities and be guided by your aspirations," he said.</p>
<p>Masam: 1,495 mines and ammunition were removed during the first week of September On Sunday, the MASAM Project for demining in Yemen announced the removal of 1,495 mines, unexploded ordnance, and an explosive device during the first week of September.</p>
<p>China: We hope "Grundberg" to achieve peace as soon as possible in Yemen The Chinese Embassy in Yemen expressed its hope that the new United Nations envoy, Hans Grundberg, would achieve a decisive breakthrough that would end the war that has been going on in the country for nearly seven years.</p>



<p>Four deaths and 52 new cases of Coronavirus in Yemen</p>
<p>Germany confirms its support for the implementation of Security Council resolutions related to Yemen</p> <p>During his meeting with Yemeni Interior Minister Major General Ibrahim Haidan in Riyadh, Michael Westland, German Deputy Ambassador to Yemen, said that Berlin is closely monitoring the situation and offering what it can offer to support the Yemeni people through the official channels of the Yemeni government.</p>
<p>Omani delegation visits Shabwa, and the local authority welcomes the Omani investments</p> <p>Shabwa Governorate Undersecretary, Dr. Abdulqawi Lamrouq, affirmed the local authority's keenness to provide the appropriate environment for Arab investments, in their various forms, in the governorate.</p>
<p>Monday, 9/6/2021</p>
<p>Emirati warplanes fly at a low altitude in Ataq, the capital of Shabwa Governorate, as protesters prevent an Emirati military convoy from heading to Al-Alam camp.</p>
<p>Coronavirus is sweeping Aden, and the largest isolation center in the city is unable to receive more cases.</p>
<p>The Ministry of Health launches the distribution of the first batch of the "Johnson & Johnson" vaccine for Coronavirus</p> <p>At the end of last August, Yemen received 151,200 doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine as a first batch of the estimated 504,000 doses of vaccine provided through the country's Kovacs facility.</p>
<p>Seven deaths and 34 new cases of corona in Yemen</p>
<p>The Netherlands stresses the importance of resuming negotiations to end the war in Yemen</p> <p>The Dutch Minister for Foreign Trade and Cooperation, Ms. Sigrid Kach, said during her meeting with her Yemeni counterpart Ahmed bin Mubarak that she is concerned about Safer tanker, which requires immediate repair in order to avoid an environmental catastrophe that will affect Yemen and the region.</p>
<p>France calls on the Houthi group to exercise reason and lift its iron grip on its areas of control</p> <p>In his meeting with Yemeni Interior Minister Ibrahim Haidan in Riyadh, Jean-Marie Safa, the French ambassador, said that the Houthis must think wisely in many issues, foremost of which is the maintenance of the Safer tanker in</p>



Hodeidah, respect for the rights of civilians and displaced persons, and lifting its iron grip on the areas under its control.

The International Organization for Migration (IOM): 32,000 African migrants live in harsh conditions in Yemen

In a recent report on Monday, the organization said that migrants who managed to reach Yemen face significant obstacles in accessing humanitarian services and employment necessary for survival.

Tensions in Shabwa, Saudi Arabia sends new mediation, and Emirates Airlines flying and launching warning bombs

Tuesday, 9/7/2021

Yemen signs academic agreements and increases the number of scholarships with Ankara

Minister of Higher Education and Vocational Training Khaled Al-Wasabi said he would sign academic agreements with the Turkish side, including increasing the number of scholarships with academic bodies in Ankara.

Four deaths and 39 new cases of corona in Yemen

A record decline of the Yemeni riyal in Aden exceeds 1070 riyals per dollar

Human rights organization: The Houthis have been forcibly disappearing journalists for months

Wednesday, 9/8/2021

The Ministry of Health records seven deaths and 49 new infections with the Coronavirus in Yemen.

United Nations Panel of Experts on Yemen: The conflict in Yemen is still intractable despite the determined international efforts to reach a ceasefire agreement.

UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund welcomed the generous contribution of US\$1.3 million from the Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF) to assist the most vulnerable women and girls with life-saving protection services.

The funding will help UNFPA to continue its support to seven women and girls' safe spaces and one safe shelter in the governorates of Al Dhale'e, Marib and Shabwah, where protection needs of women are most severe. This support will enable more than 40,000 women and girls to access a range of protection services over a period of eight months. These services include psychosocial support, medical care, legal aid, livelihood assistance and shelter support.



<p>Arab coalition destroys two Houthi drones towards Saudi Arabia</p>
<p>UN Group of Eminent International and Regional Experts on Yemen releases its fourth report</p> <p>The Group of Eminent International and Regional Experts has released its fourth report today on the situation of human rights in Yemen, covering the period from July 2020 to June 2021. Our choice of title “A nation abandoned: A call to humanity to end Yemen’s suffering” reflects the Group of experts’ concern the continuation of hostilities and of the same egregious patterns of violations without any significant progress in holding alleged perpetrators to account, essentially demonstrates a fundamental lack of political will for peace. Kamel Jendoubi said: “In the midst of the current intolerable situation, only genuine political will on the part of the parties to the conflict and their backers, but also on the part of the international community, can end Yemen’s suffering.”</p>
<p>Thursday, 9/9/2021</p>
<p>The assassination of Salem Ali Salem, the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Iqraa schools, in Aden, where gunmen shot him before escaping</p>
<p>Aden suspended studies for two weeks due to high temperatures, increasing power outages and the outbreak of the Coronavirus</p>
<p>Minister of Higher Education: The number of students studying abroad is more than seven thousand in 42 countries.</p>
<p>Yemen requests Swedish development support to improve the dilapidated economic situation</p>
<p>Arab coalition destroys three Houthi booby-trapped boats in Salif</p>
<p>Taiz Health office announces the arrival of 29,000 doses of Johnson's vaccine against Coronavirus.</p>
<p>Friday, 9/10/2021</p>
<p>Houthi missiles, drones target Yemen’s Mocha port</p> <p>Missiles and explosive-laden drones fired by the Houthis on Saturday ripped through the Red Sea port of Al-Mocha, causing damage to infrastructure and igniting a warehouse fire, the official state news agency SABA reported.</p>
<p>The UN envoy to Yemen: I will go to Riyadh to meet President Abd Rabbo Mansour Hadi and other parties, and I look forward to meeting the Houthis.</p>



Grundberg to the Security Council: The peace process has been stalled in Yemen for some time, and the attack on Marib must be stopped and the Riyadh Agreement implemented (briefing text)

The UN Special Envoy for Yemen, Hans Grundberg, confirmed that the conflicting parties have not discussed any comprehensive peace settlement since 2016, which has caused huge human losses and continued the suffering of Yemenis who have been stuck in a state of war for six years.

The United Nations announces a high-level international event on Yemen to be held at the end of this month

12 deaths and 39 new cases of Coronavirus in Yemen

Human rights organization: STC detained Yemeni students who arrived at Aden Airport

Saturday, 9/11/2021

UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UN OCHA): Yemen is witnessing the fourth largest internal displacement crisis in the world

Yemeni Rebels Say Two Districts Recaptured in Oil-Rich Marib

The districts of Rahaba and Mahliyah in the oil-rich province of Marib have been recaptured from government forces, Houthi military spokesman Yahya Saree said in a statement on Saturday.

During the offensive Yemen's Iran-backed Houthi rebels said 151 were killed, wounded or captured from the government forces, which were backed by 37 air strikes by Saudi-led coalition fighter jets.

US pulls missile defences in Saudi Arabia amid Yemen attacks

While tens of thousands of American forces remain across the Arabian Peninsula as a counterweight to Iran, Gulf Arab nations worry about the US's future plans. The United States has removed its most advanced missile defence system and Patriot batteries from Saudi Arabia in recent weeks, even as the kingdom faced continued air attacks from Yemen's Houthi rebels.

The redeployment of the defences from Prince Sultan Air Base outside Riyadh came as Gulf Arab countries nervously watched the chaotic withdrawal of US troops from Afghanistan, including their last-minute evacuations from Kabul's besieged international airport.

Saudi Foreign Minister: The Houthis have not agreed to the ceasefire proposal and continues to target civilians.



<p>Saudi Foreign Minister: Our priority remains peace in Yemen, and we reserve the right to defend ourselves and respond to attacks.</p>
<p>Eight deaths and 52 new cases of corona in Yemen</p>
<p>Demonstrations in Socotra call for the departure of the Emirati and the STC forces from the governorate.</p>
<p>The STC calls on the United Nations to include it in the political process</p>
<p>Grundberg discusses the Yemeni conflict with the Omani delegate to the United Nations</p>
<p>Sunday, 9/12/2021</p>
<p>The Ministry of Health recorded 15 deaths and 56 new infections with the Coronavirus in Yemen.</p>
<p>The Ministry of Health announces the launch of a campaign to vaccinate 19 thousand people against Corona in Aden</p>
<p>HRW calls on Grundberg to prioritize human rights issues in Yemen The new United Nations special envoy for Yemen, Hans Grundberg, should make human rights concerns front and center as he begins his work, Human Rights Watch said today. The Swedish diplomat succeeds Martin Griffiths, who held the role from 2018 to 2021. As Grundberg begins his role, the impact of the conflict on the humanitarian and human rights situation should be at the heart of his talks with the parties to the conflict.</p>
<p>Disposal of more than a thousand mines planted by the Houthis during the past week MASAM project announced the removal of 1,184 mines planted by the Houthis during the second week of September in various Yemeni governorates.</p>
<p>Oman confirms the approaching date for the resumption of political talks between the Yemeni parties</p>
<p>The Emergency Committee recorded more than 70 cases and deaths of the Coronavirus</p>
<p>Monday, 9/13/2021</p>
<p>20 deaths and 38 new cases of Coronavirus in Yemen</p>
<p>US Spy Chief Sees Top Terror Risks From Yemen, Iraq—Not Afghanistan The greatest threat to the US from international terrorists comes from nations such as Yemen, Somalia, Syria and Iraq, with Afghanistan further down the priority list</p>



<p>after the two-decade American troop presence ended, Director of National Intelligence Avril Haines said.</p>
<p>Coalition intercepts, destroys Houthi-fired drone toward Khamis Mushait.</p>
<p>1st container ship from Jeddah docks at Yemen’s Hudaydah port The first container ship from Saudi Arabia docked at Yemen’s western port city of Hudaydah, the Houthi rebel group said on Tuesday. "The first ship loaded with containers sailed directly from Jeddah to Hudaydah since the start of the siege and bombardment of the port by the aggressors (Saudi-led coalition)," chairman of the Houthi Supreme Revolutionary Committee, Muhammad Ali al-Houthi, said on Twitter. According to the statement, the ship is the first from Jeddah to dock at Hudaydah port since the outbreak of the Yemeni conflict in 2014.</p>
<p>Rights Watch: Houthis targeted camps for displaced people with missiles, causing the displacement of two million displaced people in Marib</p>
<p>Tuesday, 9/14/2021</p>
<p>Four deaths and 50 new cases of Coronavirus in Yemen</p>
<p>The Arab coalition intercepts drone attack on Abha airport.</p>
<p>Oxfam: About 13,600 Yemeni families have been affected by the rains in two months</p>
<p>Saudi Arabia strongly attacks the Group of Eminent Experts: it is impartial and reaches its conclusions through biased tools</p>
<p>US envoy: The Houthis reached a dead end in their attack on Marib and did not implement the Stockholm Agreement</p>
<p>In light of a continuous military escalation, the US envoy visits Saudi Arabia and Oman to revive the peace process in Yemen The US State Department said that the US special envoy to Yemen, "Tim Lenderking", is in Saudi Arabia and will meet with senior Yemeni and Saudi officials to discuss the peace process in Yemen.</p>
<p>For the second day in a row, angry protests in Aden condemn the deterioration of services and demand the return of the government</p>
<p>The International Commission of Jurists calls on the Security Council to refer the situation in Yemen to the International Criminal Court The International Commission of Jurists welcomed latest report of the Group of Eminent Experts on Yemen. The Commission called to extend the mandate of the</p>



<p>Panel of Experts on a multi-year or continuous basis to ensure the continuity and effectiveness of its critical work, which adequate resources should back.</p>
<p>Wednesday, 9/15/2021</p>
<p>Al-Jazeera sources: The Houthis control the center of Al-Soma'a district in Al-Bayda Governorate and large parts of it</p>
<p>Four deaths and 25 new cases of Coronavirus in Yemen</p>
<p>An international organization: More than 8 million school-age children need help in Yemen</p> <p>Save the Children International Organization reported that 1.65 million internally displaced children need assistance to return to school and 1.5 million children with disabilities and minority groups facing challenges in accessing education.</p>
<p>Un Special Envoy for Yemen Hans Grundberg Visits Riyadh</p> <p>Mr. Grundberg will meet with Yemeni President Abd Rabbo Mansour Hadi, Prime Minister Maen Abdulmalik, Foreign Minister Ahmed Bin Mubarak, House Speaker Sultan Barakani and representatives of Yemeni political parties among others. He will also meet with senior Saudi officials, ambassadors of the UN Security Council permanent member states to Yemen and the US Special Envoy to Yemen Tim Lenderking.</p>
<p>The protests expand in Aden and the STC forces disperses the demonstrators with live bullets</p>
<p>The Yemeni government accuses the UN panel of experts of bias and misinformation</p> <p>The (internationally recognized) Yemeni government accused the UN team of experts of bias and adopting misleading information about the situation in the country.</p> <p>Muammar Al-Eryani, the Minister of Information, Culture and Tourism, said, in statements that the report "confirmed the team's bias and unprofessionalism, its lack of field sources, and its reliance on misleading information sourced from press coverage and reports issued by organizations that orbit the Houthi militia."</p>
<p>After declaring a state of emergency, the STC killed a protestor, injured and arrested other protesters in Aden</p>
<p>The Houthis announce their control over the last strongholds of the government in Al-Bayda</p>



<p>On Wednesday, the Houthis announced their control of the center of the Al-Somaa district, the last stronghold of government forces in Al-Bayda Governorate in central Yemen, according to a government military source.</p>
<p>Arab Coalition destroys Houthi drone targeting Saudi Arabia’s Abha airport</p>
<p>Thursday, 9/16/2021</p>
<p>Hadramout local authority approves a partial curfew starting from eight o'clock in the evening.</p>
<p>Hadramout local authority suspended all schools, starting from Sunday until further notice.</p>
<p>The Ministry of Health recorded seven deaths and 30 new infections with the Coronavirus in Yemen.</p>
<p>Saudi TV: A joint Saudi-Emirati-US-British statement stresses the need for the Yemeni government to return to Aden.</p>
<p>Grundberg during his meeting with President Hadi: We adhere to the three references to achieve peace in Yemen</p>
<p>Arab Coalition forces intercept, destroy four Houthi armed drones, one ballistic missile targeting Jazan.</p>
<p>The United Nations: 1,800 people were displaced during the past week in Marib</p>
<p>A human rights network documented more than 64,000 violations of the Houthi militia in Yemen in three years</p>
<p>The Yemeni Network for Rights and Freedoms said that the Houthis committed more than 64,000 violations in Yemen during three years.</p>
<p>Mu’tamar party "Saleh's son's wing": the US and the sanctions team have thwarted Russian efforts to lift former president Saleh’s name and his son, Ahmed, from the sanctions list</p>
<p>Friday, 9/17/2021</p>
<p>Yemeni medical source: A citizen was shot dead by security forces in Hadramout during the dispersal of a demonstration calling for the release of protest detainees</p>
<p>Local sources: Clashes between security forces of the STC and gunmen in Khor Maksar, Aden</p>
<p>The United Nations Special Envoy for Yemen Hans Grundberg concluded today his visit to Riyadh, where he met with President Abd Rabbo Mansour Hadi, Vice-President Ali Mohsen, Speaker of the Parliament Sultan al Barakani, Prime Minister Maen Abdul Malik and Foreign Minister Ahmed bin Mubarak.</p>



<p>The Ministry of Health recorded nine deaths and 36 new infections with the Coronavirus in Yemen.</p>
<p>The ambassadors of the five countries affirm their full support for Grundberg's efforts to find an end to the conflict in Yemen</p> <p>The ambassadors of the five permanent members of the Security Council called on all warring parties in Yemen to deal directly and constructively with the UN envoy, Hans Grundberg, without preconditions.</p>
<p>Saturday, 9/18/2021</p>
<p>The Ministry of Health recorded ten deaths and 37 new infections with the Coronavirus in Yemen.</p>
<p>Yemen's Houthis execute nine men for involvement in Samad death</p> <p>Yemen's Iran-aligned Houthi movement said on Saturday that authorities had executed nine men who were convicted of involvement in the 2018 killing of Saleh al-Samad, then the armed group's top civilian leader. (Reuters).</p>
<p>Official report: More than 900 civilians were killed and injured by Houthi mines in Al-Jawf</p>
<p>Grundberg and Linderking arrive in Muscat to revive the Yemeni talks</p> <p>The UN envoy to Yemen, Hans Grundberg, and the US envoy to Yemen, Tim Lenderking, arrived in the Omani capital, Muscat, to discuss the developments in the Yemeni crisis.</p>
<p>Friday, 9/19/2021</p>
<p>UN 'strongly condemns' Houthi execution of 9 civilians</p> <p>UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres condemned the Houthis on Sunday for executing nine civilians without a fair trial, one of whom was 15 at the time of detention.</p> <p>Guterres's spokesman said that the UN chief "deeply regrets" the Houthi executions and "strongly condemns these actions which are a result of judicial proceedings that do not appear to have fulfilled the requirements of fair trial and due process under international law."</p>
<p>Disposal of more than 1,300 mines planted by the Houthis within a week</p>
<p>The UK condemns the Houthi executions of civilians and calls for those responsible to be held accountable and to comply with international law</p>
<p>United Nations: 7.6 million people need treatment for malnutrition in Yemen</p>
<p>Monday, 9/20/2021</p>



<p>The Ministry of Health recorded six deaths and 51 new infections with the Coronavirus in Yemen.</p>
<p>Arab coalition destroys two Houthi booby-trapped boats in Salif The Arab coalition confirmed on Monday it had destroyed two booby-trapped boats of the Houthi militia in the Salif region and thwarted an imminent attack. The coalition condemned continued Houthi threats to navigation in the Bab Al-Mandab Strait and the southern Red Sea.</p>
<p>The Houthis confirm the continuation of Omani mediation to end the war</p>
<p>EU joins outcry over execution of nine men by Yemen's Houthis The European Union joined a chorus of international criticism on Monday over the execution of nine men by the Iran-aligned Houthi movement in Yemen following their conviction for involvement in the killing of the group's top civilian leader.</p>
<p>Kuwait affirms its support for international efforts to end the war in Yemen</p>
<p>Saudi forces cancel UAE flight to Socotra Saudi forces in Yemen's Socotra cancelled a UAE flight that was heading to the archipelago's airport due to a lack of coordination with the Yemeni embassy in Abu Dhabi.</p>
<p>The Minister of Foreign Affairs is deputizing for President Hadi at the United Nations General Assembly meeting, which begins today</p>
<p>Tuesday, 9/21/2021</p>
<p>Arab Coalition: Air defenses intercepted and destroyed a third booby-trapped drone launched by the Houthis today towards Khamis Mushait</p>
<p>The Houthis claimed controlling the districts of Baihan and Ain in Shabwa governorate, eastern Yemen</p>
<p>The UN Special Envoy for Yemen, Hans Grundberg, concludes a visit to Muscat The UN Special Envoy for Yemen, Hans Grundberg, concluded today a visit to Muscat, Oman where he met with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Sultanate of Oman, Badr Albusaidi and other senior Omani officials. He also met with Ansar Allah's chief negotiator, Mohammed Abdel Salam . Mr. Grundberg exchanged views with Foreign Minister Albusaidi on the prospects of peace in Yemen and thanked the Sultanate for their steadfast support to the United Nations' efforts.</p>



Five deaths and 34 new cases of corona in Yemen
Socotra: Popular demonstrations against the UAE and the STC forces are trying to storm the airport
Grundberg meets with the Houthi negotiating delegation in Muscat The United Nations envoy to Yemen, Hans Grundberg, ended his first intensive tour in the region, which began in the Saudi capital, Riyadh and Muscat, and lasted for a week.
Grundberg holds fruitful consultations with Omani officials and assures the Houthis of his commitment to work to end the war in Yemen Today, Tuesday, the United Nations envoy to Yemen, Hans Grundberg, ended his visit to Muscat after fruitful consultations with Omani Foreign Minister Badr al-Busaidi, senior officials in the Sultanate, and chief Houthi negotiator Muhammad Abdul Salam.
Wednesday, 9/22/2021
Emir of the State of Qatar: The war in Yemen has led to a tragic humanitarian situation.
Al-Jazeera sources: Ansar Allah Al-Houthi group controls the city of Harib in southern Marib, eastern Yemen.
Saudi King: The peace initiative presented by the Kingdom last year is capable of achieving peace in Yemen.
Saudi King: The Houthis continue to attack civilian objects on a daily basis in the Kingdom
Saudi King: Iran is a neighboring country, and we hope our talks with it will build confidence.
Blinken: The United States is committed to a comprehensive peace process led by the United Nations to achieve a lasting solution to the conflict in Yemen.
Arab Coalition foils Houthi attack, destroys booby-trapped boats in the Red Sea.
US envoy to Yemen Tim Lenderking: The conflict in Yemen must be resolved as soon as possible, and Yemen should not be an eternal battlefield.
Donors pledge additional \$600 mln to avoid Yemen aid cuts Donors pledged an additional \$600 million to tackle Yemen's humanitarian crisis on Wednesday, as the United Nations and other aid agencies warned that vital aid programmes would be cut this year without more funding.



Oxfam: Third COVID wave engulfs Yemen with 99 percent of people unvaccinated

Yemenis are battling a third wave of COVID, which threatens 99 percent of the population who are unvaccinated, Oxfam said today.

Recorded cases of COVID have tripled and the death rate has risen by more than fivefold (420 percent) in the last month. Excluded from these figures are countless undiagnosed deaths of people in their homes due to the scarcity of tests and hospital beds. Nor does the official death toll of 1649 include the vast majority of Yemeni people who live in the north of the country where COVID-related data is not available.

Muhsin Siddiquey, Oxfam’s in Yemen’s country director, said: “Yemen has one of the highest COVID fatality rates in the world – it simply can’t cope with this virus. The conflict has decimated the already fragile healthcare system. Many people are very weak because they can’t afford to feed themselves properly or buy basic medicines. Others are unable to afford the cost of transportation to a medical center because of the ongoing fuel crisis.

Thursday, 9/23/2021

Houthi group claims control of al-Bayda province in central Yemen

Thursday, the Houthi group announced that it seized control of al-Bayda province in central Yemen after a military offensive.

"The armed forces, with support of al-Bayda tribes, complemented the task of liberating the remaining areas in Al-Bayda province in the course of the military operation, Dawn of Freedom," group spokesman Yahya Saree told a news conference according to the Houthis-run Saba news agency.

He said 70 Yemeni forces were killed, 40 arrested and 10 military vehicles damaged in 48 hours of fighting.

The Saudi Arabian-led coalition carried out 30 raids in an attempt to stop the advancement of the Houthi rebels, he added.

The Yemeni government has yet to comment on the claims.

Yemen on Thursday received its third batch of COVID-19 vaccines through the COVAX global vaccine-sharing scheme, the health ministry said.

The dollar exceeds 1140 riyals, the currency is collapsing again and the government fails to treat

The Houthis claim to control vast areas in Al-Bayda



The Houthis claimed that they controlled 2,700 square kilometers in the districts of Al-Soma'ah, Maswara, and Mukayras. The military spokesman for the group, Yahya Saree, said that the "Dawn of Freedom" operation managed to control the rest of Al-Bayda Governorate after carrying out ten offensive operations with ballistic missiles and booby-trapped aircraft on the positions of the National Army forces.

UNFPA calls for urgent funding for the health and safety of 1.5 million Yemeni women and girls at risk

As world leaders gather at the United Nations for a high-level event on Yemen, UNFPA, the United Nations sexual and reproductive health agency, calls for the prioritization of the health, safety and rights of Yemeni women and girls, and immediate action to end their ongoing suffering.

UNFPA estimates that nearly 1.5 million women and girls will lose access to life-saving health and protection services in the next three months as funding dries up, forcing emergency relief operations to be dramatically scaled back at the same time as needs continue to grow.

16 million in Yemen 'marching towards starvation' as food rations run low – UN

At least 5 million people in Yemen are on the brink of famine and a further 16 million are "marching toward starvation", as the country's humanitarian crisis spirals out of control.

The situation in Yemen, which has been torn apart by civil war, has been described as "rapidly deteriorating" by experts.

The World Food Programme (WFP) has raised grave concerns about the number of people facing starvation over the coming weeks and months.

The WFP's executive director David Beasley said supply chains in the country had been disrupted and food prices were "spiking".

He said: "With food pricing and the lack of fuel, it is catastrophic. We've got 5 million people right now knocking on famine's door, we've got 16 million people marching toward starvation."

Beasley also told the UN general assembly that without further funding, the organisation will be forced to cut 3.2 million people's food rations by October, increasing to 5 million people by December.



The WFP’s spokesperson for Yemen, Annabel Symington, said that Yemenis have been left unable to afford basic food supplies.

“The causes of the hunger crisis in Yemen are complex, but the impact on Yemenis is clear. The devaluation of the Yemeni riyal and soaring food prices have made it impossible for ordinary Yemenis to afford basic foods,” she said.

France: government taken to court over arms sales to Saudi Arabia and the UAE

Civil society organisations yesterday filed a lawsuit at the Administrative Court of Paris against the French government's arms sales to Saudi Arabia and the UAE. A joint statement by Amnesty International, the European Centre for Constitution and Human Rights (ECCHR), and the Disclose Foundation said that the suit was filed to reveal documents related to the French arms sales.

"French weapons are being used in humanitarian violations against civilians in Yemen," said the groups. "If [the French government] refuses to disclose the documents related to arms sales, it will be violating the public's right to obtain information about controversial topics." They stressed that such a right is guaranteed by French law.

The human rights organisations pointed out that around 70 French fighter jets have been used in the Yemen war. Tanks were exported to the UAE in the 1990s.

Washington affirms its commitment to support the unity and sovereignty of Yemen and to make efforts to end the conflict

On Thursday, the United States of America reiterated its commitment to support the unity, sovereignty, stability, and territorial integrity of Yemen and work to end the seven-year conflict.

This announcement came in an interview with the US Ambassador to the United Nations, Linda Thomas Greenfield, during her meeting with Foreign Minister Ahmed Awad bin Mubarak on the sidelines of the United Nations General Assembly meetings.

Friday, 9/24/2021

US envoy: Dialogue with Moscow on Yemen "very useful"

On Friday, the Russian "Novosti" agency quoted Lenderking as saying: "We have a regular dialogue with Russia's representatives on Yemen, and I find this dialogue very useful."



The sixth one in 24 hours, the coalition intercepted a drone launched by the Houthis towards Saudi Arabia

Saturday, 9/25/2021

Lenderking discusses with Emirati officials the importance of returning the Yemeni government to Aden

Eight booby-trapped planes and a ballistic missile towards Saudi Arabia in less than 72 hours

Nine deaths and 30 new cases of corona in Yemen

We have established six armies outside our borders: Iranian military commander

A prominent Iranian military commander said that his country has “six armies outside its borders that work for it.”

Gholam Ali Rashid, the commander of what is known as “the headquarters of Khatam al-Anbiya”, said in statements carried by the Iranian Mehr Agency, that Qassem Soleimani, the former commander of the Quds Force, announced, three months before his death, that he had organized six armies outside Iranian territory. He added that Soleimani was supported by the leadership of the Iranian Revolutionary Guards and the General Staff of the Army.

He added that these armies have ideological tendencies, live outside Iran, and their mission is to defend Tehran against any attack, according to his claim.

In his statements, he also said that these armies include the Lebanese Hezbollah, the Hamas and Jihad movements, the regime forces in Syria, the Iraqi Popular Mobilization Forces, and the Houthi militia in Yemen, stressing that these forces represent a deterrent force for Iran.

Sunday, 9/26/2021

12 deaths and 43 new cases of Coronavirus in Yemen.

1,755 mines were removed in the fourth week of September.

The World Food Program temporarily suspends the distribution of aid to more than 10,000 displaced people due to the escalation of fighting in Marib

The United Nations World Food Program has suspended the distribution of its monthly aid due to the continuation of the fighting in Al-Juba and Harib districts in Ma'rib Governorate, northern Yemen.

Closing the streets and tearing up Hadi’s pictures, angry protests in Taiz condemn the collapse of the currency



<p>US officials: Biden aide to meet Saudi crown prince on Yemen President Joe Biden’s national security adviser Jake Sullivan is traveling to Saudi Arabia on Monday to meet with Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman as the U.S. presses for a cease-fire in the yearslong war between the kingdom and Houthi rebels in Yemen.</p>
<p>Monday, 9/27/2021</p>
<p>US 'spy' drone 'taken out by Houthis' above Marib region A US "spy drone" was taken out above Yemen's flashpoint region of Marib by the country's Houthi insurgents, the group alleged on Monday.</p>
<p>Nine deaths and 54 new cases of corona in Yemen.</p>
<p>The Central Bank of Yemen announces the release of its frozen balances with the Bank of England for several years.</p>
<p>The Houthis target residential neighborhoods south of Ma'rib with a ballistic missile</p>
<p>Tuesday, 9/28/2021</p>
<p>The Coalition: Intercepting and destroying a booby-trapped drone launched by the Houthis towards Khamis Mushait.</p>
<p>The Ministry of Health recorded six deaths and 23 new infections with the Coronavirus in Yemen.</p>
<p>United Nations: More than 2,500 children have been killed or maimed due to the war in Yemen during the past two years The United Nations has confirmed that the war in Yemen has killed or maimed 2,600 children with the intensification of hostilities over the past two years, according to a recent report by its Secretary-General Antonio Guterres on children and armed conflict in Yemen.</p>
<p>Wednesday, 9/29/2021</p>
<p>Six deaths and 23 new cases of Coronavirus in Yemen</p>
<p>The government hands over to UNESCO the candidacy file of Marib for the World Heritage List.</p>
<p>Thursday, 9/30/2021</p>
<p>Human Rights Alliance: 2,032 people were killed and injured as a result of the Houthi militia targeting Marib A human rights coalition revealed that 2,032 people, including 294 children, 132 women, and 104 elderly people, were killed and injured in the Marib Governorate</p>



due to the direct and deliberate targeting of the Houthi militias to populated neighborhoods and camps for the displaced.

The Quartet on Yemen welcomes the return of the government to operate from Aden

Today, Thursday, the International Quartet on Yemen welcomed the return of the Yemeni government to the interim capital, Aden, stressing the importance of its support to achieve security and stability and provide basic services.

Red Cross: We are concerned about the current situation in Marib and its humanitarian consequences



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